

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 TEL AV 01513 021609Z
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 AF-08 ISO-00 IO-13 PM-04 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15
L-03 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 PA-02 USIA-15
PRS-01 ACDA-10 /096 W
-----021634 114399 /53

R 021341Z MAR 77
FM AMEMBASSY TEL AVIV
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5103
AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM
INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA
AMEMBASSY CAIRO
AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO
AMCONSUL ASMARA

UNCLAS TEL AVIV 1513

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PFOR, PINS, SU, ET, IS
SUBJECT: ALLEGED COLLABORATION BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND ISRAEL IN
SOUTHERN SUDAN

REF: KHARTOUM 0629

1. WE HAVE REVIEWED BACK COPIES OF THE JERUSALEM POST TO DETERMINE WHAT COVERAGE THE NEWSPAPER HAS GIVEN TO RECENT EVENTS IN SUDAN AND ANY ROLE WHICH ISRAEL MAY BE PLAYING THERE. AN ARTICLE ON FEBRUARY 4, DATELINED ADDIS ABABA AND CREDITED TO UPI AND AP, REPORTED ON THE EXECUTION OF TEFERI BANTE AND SIX OTHER PERSONS. A REPORT ON FEBRUARY 6, DATELINED ADDIS ABABA AND CREDITED TO REUTER, DISCUSSED PLANS OF COLONEL MENGISTU FOR THE FUTURE OF ETHIOPIA. THE SECOND ARTICLE ALLEGED AMERICAN AND SUDANESE INVOLVEMENT IN THE FEBRUARY 2 PLOT BUT THERE WAS NO MENTION OF ISRAEL.

2. AN ARTICLE ON FEBRUARY 7, DATELINED KHARTOUM AND CREDITED TO UPI, REPORTED THAT CONFESSION BY PLOTTERS REVEALED
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 TEL AV 01513 021609Z

ISRAELI INVOLVEMENT: "REBEL SOLDIERS WHO MADE AN ABORTIVE ATTEMPT TO SEIZE AN AIR BASE IN SOUTHERN SUDAN HAVE CONFESSED THAT 'ISRAEL ELEMENTS' WERE BEHIND THE SCHEME, THE GOVERNMENT NEWSPAPER 'AL SHAFI' SAID YESTERDAY.

3. "THE REBELS ATTEMPTED LAST WEDNESDAY TO SEIZE THE

AIRPORT AT JUBA, CAPITAL OF EQUATORIA PROVINCE, BUT THE MUTINY WAS CRUSHED BY GOVERNMENT TROOPS. EIGHT LOYAL SOLDIERS AND AT LEAST TWO FOREIGNERS WERE KILLED. SECURITY FORCES HAVE ARRESTED 18 REBELS, INCLUDING SERGEANT PAUL FOKE, WHO LED THE MUTINY. THE SEARCH CONTINUES FOR FOUR OTHERS.

4. "'AL SAHAFI' CLAIMED IN ITS REPORT YESTERDAY THET THE PLOTTERS 'HAD EXPECTED OUTSIDE HELP, WITH WHICH ISRAEL WAS CONNECTED.' THE NEWSPAPER SAID THAT PLOTTERS WERE IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH AN EXILED POLITICIAN, PHILIP CHABBUNSH OF THE NOUBA MOUNTAINS IN WESTERN SUDAN. THEIR AIM WAS TO DIVIDE SUDAN INTO FIVE REGIONS: EASTERN, WESTERN, SOUTHERN, NORTHERN AND CENTRAL, IT CLAIMED.

5. "SUDAN'S SOUTHERN REGION FOUGHT A 17-YEAR CIVIL WAR AGAINST THE CENTRAL KHARTOUM GOVERNEMNT UNTIL A PEACE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED IN ADDI ABABA FIVE YEARS AGO."
DUNNIGAN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 02-Mar-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977TELAV01513
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770071-1302
Format: TEL
From: TEL AVIV
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770399/aaaadjpm.tel
Line Count: 81
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: cabbd7be-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 KHARTOUM 629
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 14-Sep-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3225530
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ALLEGED COLLABORATION BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND ISRAEL IN SOUTHERN SUDAN
TAGS: PFOR, PINS, SU, ET, IS
To: STATE KHARTOUM
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/cabbd7be-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009